#### HYMN NOTES: "Rock of Ages" (438)

Written by Augustus M. Toplady in 1776, this is a hymn about sin and salvation, about our helpless need, and about the all-sufficiency of Christ's atonement. The metaphor of the Rock of Ages is found variously in Isaiah 26:4, Exodus 33:22, I Corth. 10:4. Strongly Calvinist, Toplady carried on a running public feud for years about predestination and election with John Wesley, even calling him "a low and puny tadpole in the sea of divinity." Fortunately his hymn does not carry any of this mean spirit.

Legend has it that Toplady took shelter from a storm at a site known as Burrington Combe—a limestone gorge with rock formations in southern England. A particular spot is still noted today and called "Rock of Ages." Folks climb the steep wall of the gorge in order to have their picture taken as they stand (or stoop actually) in the cleft of the rock that supposedly prompted this hymn.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by



Dane, Erik, David & Adrienne In Honor of Their Grandmother JoAnne Spigarelli's Birthday



Larry & Elaine Cornillaud In Honor of

Our 10th Year at Northwood Presbyterian

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2014 Flower Reservation Chart" on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....**

Sunday, July 20th:	Sumi Ham, Dan Jeffre, Linda O'Leary, Brindo	
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Monday, July 21st:	Kyle Barry, Nancy Schneider	
Tuesday, July 22nd:	ma Allen, Dottie Benziger, Jeanette Foulks,	
	Kayla McDermott, JoAnne Spigarelli	
Wednesday, July 23rd:	Mike O'Leary, Maria Papolos,	
	Jill Towell, Heather Villafranca	
Thursday, July 24th:	Jean Dayes, Hugh Gott, Debbie Kovach	
Friday, July 25th:	Betty Biddlestone, Lauren Boyd, Don Propst,	
	Pat Rabenstine	
Saturday July 26th	Fric Gaientan, Lauren Mackie, Christine Pursley	

*Saturday, July 26th:* Eric Gajentan, Lauren Mackie, Christine Pursley *If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!* 

	FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY			
ACOLYTES:				
(8:15)	Kurt Kemerer	An an		
(11:00)	Ethan Crossley	K 132		
GREETERS	:	N/17		
(8:15)	Lindsey Childs-Kean and Judy Peterson	Acolutes		
(11:00)	Vicki & Jon Mills	1 Intragros		
<b>USHERS:</b>				
(8:15)	Darrough & Linda Diamond	And		
	Dick & Connie Evans	YATE .		
(9:30)	Kim, Morgan & Lindsey Peterson			
(11:00)	Ken & Martha Tobiassen			
	Mike & Linda O'Leary	Greeters &		
VAN DRIVE	<b>ER:</b> Cynthia Lawrence	Ushers		

## EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION We will not meet at 8:15 during the summer.

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 3 Yr. Olds-5 Yr. Olds Room 3

Teachers: Marcy & Amy Kemerer

1st-5th Grades

Room 8

Teachers: Thompson Family

**11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** We will not meet at 11:00 during the summer.

Please plan ahead and prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of the month. It is a prayerful time for giving thanks and confessing our sins, renewing our commitment to God, and hearing the Word proclaimed. Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact elder Jackie Koski (jackieandjerry@verizon.net), Chair of the Worship Team.

### 9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### SERENDIPITY

**NOTE:** We are on summer break. Classes will resume in September. See you then!

### TCI (Today's Christian Issues)

**TODAY:** TCI is now on summer hiatus. Have a joyful summer and remember to check church publications in August for plans for the Fall semester. We look forward to welcoming you back on Sunday, September 7.

### 11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### **EXPERIENCING GOD**

**NOTE:** Summer is upon us and our class is taking a break. We will see you again in September!



# Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church A Stephen Ministry Church

# July 20, 2014

### Ministers: All Members of the Church

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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### Order for the Public Worship of God July 20, 2014 6th Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

#### WE GATHER

(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins. Please silence electronic devices.)

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Linda Feller/Nancy Turner

GLORIA PATRI

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

arr. Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr.

"Prelude on TOPLADY" (based on the tune of the closing hymn, #438)

(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

(*Please complete the bulletin insert, "FRIENDSHIP SHEET," and place it in the offering plate later in the service*).

\*HYMN #620

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

#### WE CONFESS

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)**

God of steadfast love and generosity, in faith and hope we come to you, seeking your cleansing and purifying forgiveness; and asking that you remove the blot of sinfulness from our whole being. Only then can our heart, our mind and our soul be refreshed and renewed; so that we may worship you in truth and holiness. You do not seek from us a mindless response, but rather, you long for us to return to you in repentance and faith. By your great grace may we live as forgiven people whose lives sing forth your praise and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

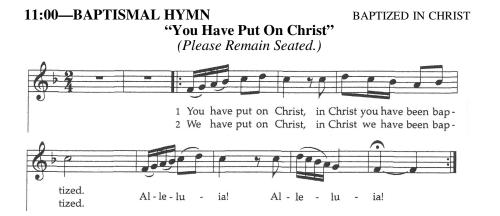
#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen."

### 11:00—SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Ansleigh Michele Nigels



"Lord of the Dance" Sydney Carter Liana and Jeremy Stephen arr. Lloyd Larson (*the text appears in Glory to God*, #157)

**FAITH SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN** (8:15 & 11:00 am Children's church is on break through August. Children over three may remain with their parents in worship.)

#### WE UNITE IN PRAYER

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

"Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."

#### WE SHARE

### CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

arr. Joseph M. Martin

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Liana Stephen, Soprano

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*DOXOLOGY—#606 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### **\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

#### WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (page 989)

1 John 1:5-10 (NRSV)

Paul Manz

 HYMN #421
 "Have Mercy, God, upon My Life"
 IRISH

 (Please Remain Seated.)
 IRISH

SCRIPTURE READING (pages 452-453) Psalm 51:1-17 (NRSV)

SERMON SERIES Paul Means, Associate Pastor Stop, Look and Listen to the Psalms: #3 "Finding Healing and Hope through Penitential Praver"

#### WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #438	"Rock of Ages"	TOPLADY
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#### **\*BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" (based on the hymn at #403)

(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A closer look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

\*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.

DUET

ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:30 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

### LET THE COUNTDOWN BEGIN

**PRAISE SONG** "Everlasting God"

**MEET & GREET** "Fires"

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WORSHIP CONTINUES** 

"In Christ Alone" arr. Liana Stephen The Stephen Family

### SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

**CALL TO OFFERING OFFERTORY** "Indescribable"

**VIDEO**—"The Hall Closet"

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 51:1-17 (NRSV)

### **SERMON SERIES**

Stop, Look, and Listen to the Psalms: #3 "Finding Hope and Healing in Penitential Prayer" Paul Means, Associate Pastor

> **SONG OF DEDICATION** "One Thing Remains"

### GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!